

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. The Examiner rejects all of the pending claims 1-20.

Objections

The priority claim to the original Canadian patent application is defective as submitted too late in July, 2004. Applicants submit herewith a Renewed Petition in order to have it accepted as unintentionally late. The Oath/Declaration is defective because it does not set forth the claim to priority to the original Canadian patent application. Applicants submit herewith a corrected and newly signed Oath/Declaration.

The specification is objected to because the priority claim is slightly misstated. The amendments to the specification filed on July 9, 2004 and August 18, 2006 are improper as inadvertently and in clear error claiming that U.S. Application No. 08/257,627 "is a national stage entry pursuant to 35 USC 111 of PCT/CA94/00325." U.S. Application No. 08/257,627 is in fact, not a national stage entry of the subject PCT application but rather was filed concurrent with and on the same date as the subject PCT application. Therefore, Applicants submit this Supplemental Amendment and Response correcting this inadvertent but clear error in the claim to priority as noted above.

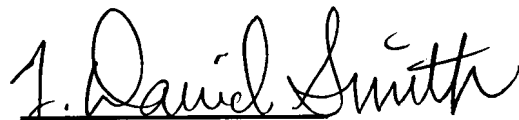
Fees

No fees are believed necessary in connection with this submission. However, should this be in error, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or to credit any overpayments.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments and remarks. Reconsideration and withdrawal of all of the outstanding rejections is believed in order. Early and favorable action on the claims is earnestly solicited. Should a discussion be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (201) 487-5800.

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